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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

[DOCKET NO. MARAD 2012 0069]

Information Collection Available for Public Comments and Recommendations

ACTION: Notice of intention to request extension of OMB approval and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the Maritime Administration's (MARAD's) intention to request extension of approval (with modifications) for three years of a currently approved information collection.

DATES: Comments should be submitted on or before [Insert date sixty days following date published in the <u>Federal Register</u>].

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jerome Davis, Maritime Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE, Washington, DC 20590. Telephone: 202-366-0688; or E-MAIL: jerome.davis@dot.gov. Copies of this collection also can be obtained from that office.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Maritime Administration (MARAD)

<u>Title of Collection</u>: "Request for Transfer of Ownership, Registry, and Flag, or Charter, Lease, or Mortgage of U.S. Citizen Owned Documented Vessels"

<u>Type of Request</u>: Extension of currently approved information collection.

OMB Control Number: 2133-0006

Form Numbers: MA-29, MA-29A, and MA-29B

Expiration Date of Approval: Three years from date of approval by the Office of Management and Budget.

<u>Summary of Collection of Information</u>: This collection provides information necessary for MARAD to approve the sale, transfer, charter, lease, or mortgage of U.S. documented vessels to

non-citizens; or the transfer of such vessels to foreign registry and flag; or the transfer of foreign flag vessels by their owners as required by various contractual requirements.

Need and Use of the Information: The information will enable MARAD to determine whether the vessel proposed for transfer will initially require retention under the U.S.-flag statutory regulations.

<u>Description of Respondents</u>: Respondents are vessel owners who have applied for foreign transfer of U.S.-flag vessels.

Annual Responses: 85 responses

Annual Burden: 170 hours

Comments: Comments should refer to the docket number that appears at the top of this document. Written comments may be submitted to the Docket Clerk, U.S. DOT Dockets, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE, Washington, DC 20590. Comments also may be submitted by electronic means via the Internet at http://www.regulations.gov/search/index.jsp. Specifically address whether this information collection is necessary for proper performance of the functions of the agency and will have practical utility, accuracy of the burden estimates, ways to minimize this burden, and ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected. All comments received will be available for examination at the above address between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. EDT (or EST), Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays. An electronic version of this document is available on the World Wide Web at http://www.regulations.gov.

PRIVACY ACT: Anyone is able to search the electronic form of all comments received into any of

our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the comment, if

submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review DOT's complete

Privacy Act Statement in the Federal Register published on April 11, 2000 (Volume 65,

Number 70; Pages 19477-78) or you may visit http://www.regulations.gov.

Authority: 49 CFR § 1.66.

By order of the Maritime Administrator

Date: June 8, 2012

Julie P. Agarwal Secretary Maritime Administration

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